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Federal Opportunities

Drug-Free Communities Support Program. *The Department of Justice (DOJ)/Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)* announces funds to reduce substance abuse among youth and, over time, among adults. These grants are to be used to address two major goals of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program: (1) reduce substance abuse among youth by reducing risk factors and promoting protective factors in the community; and (2) establish and strengthen collaboration among communities, private nonprofit organizations, and Federal, State, and local governments to support the efforts of community coalitions to prevent and reduce substance abuse among youth. Eligible applicants include community coalitions whose members have worked together on substance abuse reduction initiatives for a period of not less than six months and that meet all the coalition eligibility requirements outlined in the program announcement. The deadline for applications is March 11, 2003. Approximately 150 grants of up to \$100,000 each will be awarded. All applications must be completed online using OJP's

Grants Management System at: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/fundopps.htm. For more information, go to: www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org; click on "Grants & Funding." This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

Improvement of Postsecondary Education - Comprehensive Program. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to improve postsecondary education opportunities. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education or a combination of those institutions and other public and private nonprofit institutions and agencies. The deadline for applications is May 8, 2003. Approximately \$9 million is available to fund 53-56 awards; the estimated range of awards is \$50,000 - \$275,000. For further information, contact Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, US Dept. of Education, 1990 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006-8544; (202) 502-7500. For application information, contact Education Publications Center, PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398; toll free 1-877-433-7827; or edpubs@inet.ed.gov. This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

Special Education - Research and Innovation to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to produce and advance the use of knowledge to improve the results of education and early intervention for infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities. Eligible applicants include state education agencies, local education agencies,

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institutions of higher education, other public agencies, and nonprofit private organizations. There are several priority areas and deadline dates. For more detailed information, go to:

<http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/02-32273.txt>. For applications, contact Education Publications Center, PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398; toll free 1-877-433-7827; or edpubs@inet.ed.gov. This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

Special Education - Personnel Preparation to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to (1) help address state-identified needs for qualified personnel in special education, related services, early intervention, and regular education - to work with children with disabilities; and (2) ensure that those personnel have the skills and knowledge - derived from practices that have been determined through research and experience to be successful - that are needed to serve those children. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education. There are several priority areas and deadline dates. For more detailed information, go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/02-32273.txt>. For applications, contact Education Publications Center, PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398; toll free 1-877-433-7827; or edpubs@inet.ed.gov. This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

Special Education - Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to (1) improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology; (2) support educational media activities designed to be of educational value to children with disabilities; and (3) provide support for some captioning, video description, and cultural activities. Eligible applicants include state and local education agencies, institutions of higher education, other public agencies, nonprofit private organizations, and for-profit organizations. The deadline for applications is February 7, 2003. For more detailed information, go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/02-32273.txt>. For

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Special Education - Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children. Eligible applicants include local parent organizations. The deadline for applications is February 7, 2003. For applications, contact Education Publications Center, PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398; toll free 1-877-433-7827; or edpubs@inet.ed.gov. For more details, go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/02-32273.txt>. This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

District Opportunities

Commercial Property and Acquisition Program. *The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development* announces funding for a Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D). The program will provide matching grant funds for nonprofit corporations to acquire, redevelop or build commercial properties located within DC. Alternatively, the nonprofit corporation could use the grants funds to retain, expand or attract a desirable retail business to commercial property in their neighborhood. CP-A&D is designed to foster local ownership and facilitate the improvement of commercial properties throughout the city. Applicants will be required either to attend training in how to develop commercial property or to demonstrate organizational proficiency and experience in commercial property management. Eligible applicants include nonprofit corporations operating in DC, including areas designated as local DC Main Street programs, and whose goals include the economic revitalization of a neighborhood business district(s). Applicant organizations are requested to attend a public briefing at 10am on Tuesday, January 21, 2003, in the conference room of reSTORE DC, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1140 North, Washington, DC 20001. The

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deadline for letters of intent is January 31, 2003. The deadline for applications is February 18, 2003.

Approximately \$5 million in matching grant funds will be available; awards will range from \$25,000 - \$250,000, and require a match of 2:1. Applicants are required to complete a standard grant application developed by the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers. To download the application guidelines, go to:

http://www.washingtongrantmakers.org/WG/GM_Resources/Format/Format_Index.asp. For more information, contact Christa Rice, Communications Specialist, reSTORE DC, (202) 727-5208, christa.rice@dc.gov.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml for the following notices:

The DC Commission on National and Community Service (DC CNCS), AmeriCorps Program, due January 17, 2003.

Foundation Opportunities

Greening Projects. *Garden Resources of Washington (GROW)* announces the availability of small grants for community & youth greening projects located in Washington, DC, with special consideration given to projects benefiting low-income DC residents or those living in poverty. Eligible applicants include community & youth groups, schools, neighborhood and environmental groups, civic associations, churches, community gardens and others for community & youth greening projects such as new gardens, garden renovations, tree plantings, and tree box beautifications. If you are interested, form a leadership team with neighbors or colleagues, plan the project, and get written permission to use the land. The deadline for applications is February 14, 2003. Grant sizes range in size up to \$1,000. Potential applicants are strongly urged to attend a grant information meeting at GROW at 1419 V Street NW, along with your leadership team. GROW is located 2-1/2 blocks walk

from U Street/Cardozo metro stop; street parking is available. Reservations to attend these meetings are not needed. Grant information meeting dates are: January 8, 6:30 pm; January 9, 6:30 pm; January 11, 10:00 am; January 13, 6:30 pm; January 14, 6:30 pm; January 15, 6:30 pm; January 18, 10:00 am. For an application or other information, contact GROW at grow19@aol.com or 202-234-0591.

Software Donation Program. *Veritas Software Foundation*, a nonprofit charitable organization established by Veritas Software Corporation, a storage software provider, has introduced its Software Donation Program. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and educational organizations. The next deadline is January 31, 2003. The program will provide \$500,000 worth of storage software technology this year. For more information on the Software Donation Program, go to: <http://www.veritas.com/news/press/PressReleaseDetail.jhtml?NewsId=9662>

Resources & Announcements

Volunteer Grant Review Opportunity. *The DC Commission on National and Community Service* is seeking individuals to volunteer to review grant proposals for the 2003 AmeriCorps*State program funding competitions. The Commission is recruiting panels of experienced professionals from the national service world and other disciplines to help evaluate the applications received for funding in the 2003-04 program year. Reviewers read, score and evaluate proposals, discuss their findings with a small group of fellow reviewers and a facilitator, and, as a panel, come to consensus to score the proposals according to quality. Reviewers must live or work in the District of Columbia, be comfortable reading a large volume of material in a short period of time and providing analysis in a small group, and be available from 4-6pm on Wednesday, January 22, 2003 for a grant review training and from 9 am-5 pm on Monday, January 27, 2003 for the grant review and analysis. To apply, please send your resume to Trudy Thornton, DC Commission on National and Community Service, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1040S, Washington, DC 20001; trudy.thornton@dc.gov; or fax to (202) 727-9198 by January 14, 2003. The Commission will review resumes and begin contacting qualified applicants

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after 5 pm on January 17, 2003. For additional information, contact Renetta Boyd, Director of Programs and Accessibility, (202) 727-7937 or renetta.boyd@dc.gov.

Master Business License Deadline Extended. *The DC City Council* voted to extend the grace period for obtaining a Master Business License (MBL) to May 31, 2003, for all individuals and organizations doing business in the District. The extended grace period will go into effect immediately. For information on the Master Business License program, visit the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) web site at www.dcr.dc.gov - or contact the MBL Info Center at (202) 442-4311 or mbl.infocenter@dc.gov.

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